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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DIAGNOSING  
ELECTRONIC DEVICE

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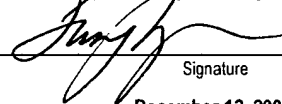
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**AMENDMENT**

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated July 7, 2003, which provides for a response period ending October 7, 2003.

A Petition for Extension of Time, to extend the response period for the Office Action for three additional months to January 7, 2004 is being filed concurrently.

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**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14 of this paper.